

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

v.

THOMAS PRYOR,

Defendant.



22-CR-182(5)-LJV-JJM
DECISION & ORDER

1. On August 7, 2024, the defendant, Thomas Pryor, pleaded guilty to the portion of count 1 of the indictment charging a violation of Title 21, United States Code, Section 846 (conspiracy to possess with intent to distribute, and to distribute, cocaine base and cocaine). Docket Item 215.

2. On August 7, 2024, the Honorable Jeremiah J. McCarthy, United States Magistrate Judge, filed a Report & Recommendation recommending that the defendant's plea of guilty be accepted and that the defendant be adjudged guilty. Docket Item 217.

3. This Court has not received objections to the Report & Recommendation in accordance with Title 28, United States Code, Section 636(b)(1), and Rule 59(b) of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure, and the time to object now has expired.

4. This Court has carefully reviewed *de novo* Judge McCarthy's Report & Recommendation (Docket Item 217), the plea agreement (Docket Item 215), the indictment (Docket Item 48), a transcript of the plea proceeding (Docket Item 236), and the applicable law.

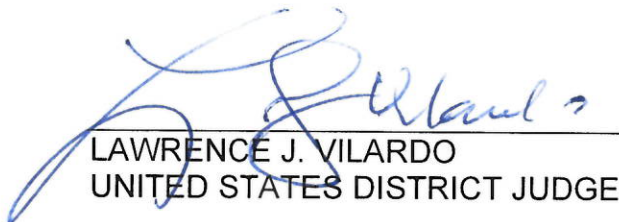
5. The Court adopts Judge McCarthy's recommendation that the defendant's plea of guilty be accepted and that the defendant be adjudged guilty of the portion of count 1 of the indictment charging a violation of Title 21, United States Code, Section 846 (conspiracy to possess with intent to distribute, and to distribute, cocaine base and cocaine).

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that this Court adopts Judge McCarthy's August 7, 2024 Report & Recommendation, Docket Item 217, in its entirety, including the authorities cited and the reasons given therein, and it is further

ORDERED that the Court accepts the defendant's plea of guilty and defers acceptance of the plea agreement pursuant to Sentencing Guidelines Section 6B1.1(c), and the defendant, Thomas Pryor, is now adjudged guilty under Title 21, United States Code, Section 846.

SO ORDERED.

Dated: September 20, 2024
Buffalo, New York


LAWRENCE J. VILARDO
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE